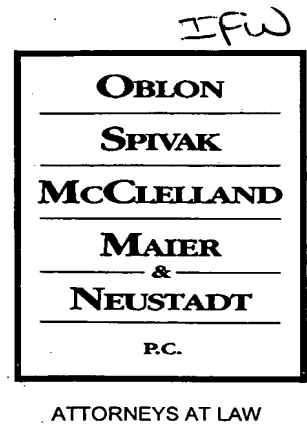




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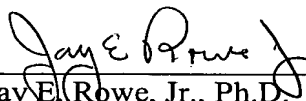
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In response to the Restriction Requirement dated January 17, 2007, Applicants elect, with traverse, Group I, Claims 1-6 and 12, for examination.

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

The claims have been divided into groups as follows:

Group I: Claims 1-6 and 12, drawn to a composite material.

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Restriction is only proper if the claims of the restricted groups are independent or patentably distinct and there would be a serious burden placed on the Examiner if restriction is not required (MPEP §803). Moreover, when citing lack of unity of invention, in a national